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Sumitra

They are not a whit more
my own
than my people. They are
robbers,
who, under the cover of your
throne*
seek for their victims.

Vikram

They are Jaisen, Shila, Ajit.

Sumitra

My country must be rid of
them*

Vikram

They will not move without
fight*

Sumitra

Then fight them, Sire*

Vikram

Fight ? But let me
conquer *you*
first, and then I shall have
time to-
conquer my enemies.